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COAL PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to increase the coal production and also to fix norms essential for it;

(b) if so, whether any target for production of coal during the Eleventh Five Year Plan and also for the year 2007-08 has been set;

(c) if so, the details thereof separately; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to achieve the target?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a) to (d): Yes, Sir. The provisional production in 2006-07 and the target of coal production for 2007-08 (1st year of XIth Plan) and during terminal year of XI Plan i.e 2011-12 are as under :

	(figure in Mt.) 2006-07 (Provisiona production)	2007-08	2011-12
Coal India Limited	361.04	384.51	520.50
Singareni Collieries Co. Ltd. (SCCL)	37.71	38.04	40.80
Others	26.36	37.95	118.70
Total	425.11	460.50	680.00

Following steps have been taken to increase coal production:

1 . 130 coal blocks have been allotted to different consumers to be operated by private/ public sector for captive end uses / commercial mining.

2 . To reduce the gap between demand and supply of coal, 119 mining projects of Coal India Limited and 25 mining projects of Singareni Collieries Company Limited are envisaged to be undertaken in XI Plan.

3. Improvement in equipment utilization and mechanization/modernization of existing mines.

4. Coal India Limited under "Emergency Coal Production Plan" has identified 16 opencast projects /mines where production from the existing mines / projects will be enhanced to a higher level yielding additional 71.3 Mt.
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